

Weekly Report

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Research

This week, I have read "Understanding individual human mobility patterns"[1]. In this paper, authors found that the distribution of displacements over all users is well approximated by a truncated power-law:

$$P(\Delta r) = (\Delta r + \Delta r_0)^{-\beta} \exp(-\Delta r/k)$$

where Δr stand for step size. Besides, they determined the radius of gyration distribution $P(\Delta r_g)$ and found that:

$$P(\Delta r_g) = (\Delta r_g + \Delta r_g^0)^{-\beta_r} \exp(-\Delta r_g/k)$$

I think radius of gyration is much more useful to distinguish users which can added into our work as a feature.

Plan for next week

- Read the Java program and try to write some functions.

References

- [1] Marta C Gonzalez, Cesar A Hidalgo, and Albert-Laszlo Barabasi. Understanding individual human mobility patterns. *Nature*, 453(7196):779–782, 2008.